- (1) The following statement has been prepared by me, Mike Barham and is based upon my personal knowledge and experience.
- (2) I am currently employed by Helis Oil & Gas Company, L.L.C. ("Helis") where I serve as the Inland Drilling & Completion Manager.
- (3) I am the Helis official charged with overall management of the planning, execution and operation of the Helis Eads Poitevent, et al No. 1 Well project (the "well project") in St. Tammany Parish and have been so involved in the well project from its inception to date.
- (4) In connection with the well project, I inspected and evaluated the suitability of the access roads for accessing the four alternative pad sites (alternative Sites 1-4 identified in Exhibit A attached hereto) Helis considered for location of the Eads Poitevent, et al No. 1 Well.
- (5) The access road adjacent to alternative Site 3 (the site ultimately selected by Helis for location of the Eads Poitevent, et al No. 1 Well), is a graveled private access road of sufficient width and construction to support the traffic of heavy trucks required to service the drill site with only minimal alteration and hence minimal wetland impact.
- (6) Regarding alternative Site 2, the access road in the area of Site 2 is an unimproved dirt road that does not extend all of the way to the proposed Site. The road would have to be extended approximately 967 linear feet to reach the site and the existing dirt road would have to be significantly upgraded to accommodate the traffic of heavy trucks required to service the drill site resulting in additional wetland impacts.
- (7) The respective access roads adjoining alternative Sites 1 and 4 are likewise unimproved dirt roads that would have to be significantly upgraded to accommodate the traffic of heavy trucks required to service the drill site resulting in additional impacts to adjoining wetlands.
- (8) Of the four alternative sites evaluated, only Site 3 has an existing access road suitable to support the traffic of heavy trucks required to service the drill site with only minimal alteration and hence minimal wetland impact.

Mike Barham (12/29/14)

